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METAL-CONTAINING RIBONUCLEOTIDE POLYPEPTIDES

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Applicants claim small entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.27.	TEOM OF WELL AND	
Petition for Extension of Time Applicants petition for a one-month extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136, (enclosed).		
Applicants believe that no petition for an extension of time is necessary. How	ever, to the extent that such	

petition is deemed necessary, Applicants hereby petition for a sufficient extension of time to render the present submission timely. Please charge Deposit Account No. 12-1216 for the appropriate petition fee.

No additional claim fee is required.

Other: Amendments to the Specification and Claims Made in Response to Office Action Dated January 7, 2003; Pending Claims after Amendments Made in Response to Office Action Dated January 7, 2003; Submission of Sequence Listing; Sequence Listing in both paper copy and on computer-readable diskette; Submission of Formal Corrected Drawings; Formal Corrected Drawings; Copy of Executed Declaration and Power of Attorney filed on January 16, 2001; Copy of Return Postcard Mailed with the Executed Declaration and Power of Attorney and Date Stamped January 16, 2001.

The claim fee has been calculated as shown below:

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Enclosed: Transmittal Letter to the U.S. DO/EO (3 pages in duplicate); Copy of Notification of Missing Requirements (1 page); Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney (4 sets with 4 pages each); Recordation Form Cover Sheet (1 page in duplicate); Assignment (4 sets with 2 pages each); a check in the amount of \$560.00 for the Assignment Fee (\$40.00), Missing Requirements Fee (\$130.00), and 2-Month Extension of Time Fee (\$390.00); and this return postcard.



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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated January 7, 2003, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks.

AMENDMENTS

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the paragraph on page 3, lines 3-7, with the following:

The RNA part (ARNA) has the following consensus sequence:

GGAAAAUNNNNNUN₀₋₁AUAUGN₀₋₆CUNNNUUUNNNNNNAAAAAN₀₋₁

UANAAACAUN₀₋₅CUUNAGN₀₋₁₃AGAAAUN₀₋₁₆UUAGCAG

wherein "N" is G, A, U, or C,

or the complementary sequence thereof.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claim 10 without prejudice.

Please amend the claims as follows: